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~~MAKRA, Zoltan~~, Dr. birth data unknown

Information exists on one Dr. Zoltan MAKRA, born 5 July 1951 in ARAD, Rumania, residence listed as MUNICH, and occupation listed as owner and publisher of the Hungarian newspaper "Hungaria," published in MUNICH. MAKRA, our trace, was suspected in 1952 of working for the Hungarian Intelligence service, but investigation failed to substantiate this suspicion. (B-2) Information of September 1951 indicates that MAKRA, our trace, was a member of the Association of the Free Press of Central and Eastern Europe Baltic and Balkan Countries. (UNEVALUATED) Information on February 1954 indicates that MAKRA, our trace, had a dispute with one de BALVANSZKY, financial backer of "Hungaria," over editorial policy. It is further alleged that MAKRA was supplying information to the Institut fuer Gegenwartsforschung. Additional information of February 1954 indicates that MAKRA, our trace, arrived in the US Zone of Germany from Hungary on 12 April 1949 being employed as a clerk by the Minister for Home Defense. (B-2)

There was no Minister of Home Defense in 1949.

Information of February 1955 lists MAKRA, our trace, as a member of the MUNK (Comradeship Community of Hungarian Warriors). (B-3) Information of October 1955 indicates that MAKRA, our trace, maintained contact with known Communists despite the fact he published an anti-Communist paper. In September 1955 MAKRA traveled to KARLSRUHE, where he kept in constant contact with the Hungarian swimming team that had participated in the International Swimming Meet held in MUNICH and then moved on to KARLSRUHE to take part in other swimming events. MAKRA, our trace, went to KARLSRUHE by car with one Bela SZABO, who was a pre-war career officer in the Hungarian Army and is now active in MUNICH in the MUNK. It is further indicated that MAKRA was associating with Josef FRENCZI, a former member of the Foreign Positive Military Intelligence Division of the Hungarian Communist Government until he fled to West Germany in 1950. (F-3)

The most recent information on MAKRA, our trace, is of November 1955. Information of that date states that MAKRA does not appear to be engaged in activities inimical to the interests of the US Armed Forces in Europe. (B-2)

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